

Tips for Touring

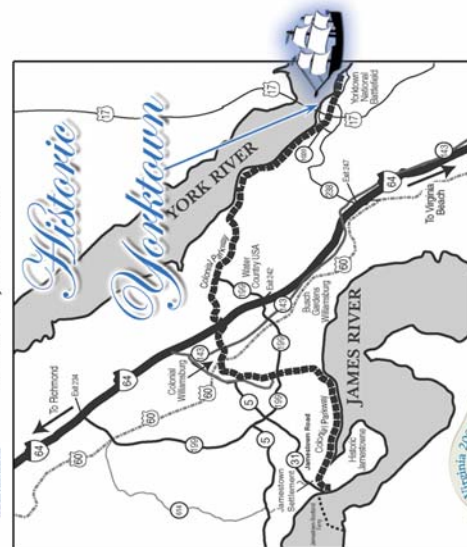


Tickets are required for entry into historic sites, museums and various attractions. The Gallery at York Hall, located on Main Street, offers information such as brochures, maps and combination tickets. Some museums and shops are closed on Monday and have limited hours on Sunday. A FREE trolley takes visitors on a ride to historical attractions, points of interest, and the waterfront. The trolley runs April-October. See the map for specific trolley stops.



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A Revolutionary Riverfront Treasure

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Just 14 miles from Williamsburg



Welcome

Immerse yourself in 300 years of history and relax in a hotel or bed and breakfast nestled among the village streets and paths or overlooking the York River. Here you can experience 18th century homes and revolutionary battlefields to 21st century merchants and modern-day excursions. Picturesque streets are the backdrop for art galleries and antique and specialty shops. Visit the museums, offering hands-on programs and exhibits. Stroll along the scenic Riverwalk, relax on the sandy beach at river's edge, and enjoy live entertainment on The Commons. Take a ride on our free trolley, then march to the beat of The Fifes and Drums of York Town. After working up an appetite, dine at one of our charming restaurants, most with a view of the York River.

To add to the charm, enjoy a sail on the York River during the day and when the sun goes down, don't miss the candlelight walking tour - complete with tales of ghosts said to haunt the village.



History



Yorktown is most remembered as the site where Lord Cornwallis surrendered to General George Washington, bringing an end to the last major battle of the American Revolutionary War. But even before the struggle for independence, the town was a bustling and prosperous 18th century seaport, having been established by the 1691 Act of Ports. Yorktown also witnessed major Civil War activity. Its fortifications held off a Union army attack during the Peninsula campaign of 1862.



Today, Yorktown is the seat of the County's government, a position it has maintained since 1634.



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Lodging

DUKE OF YORK HOTEL (757) 898-3232

After a day of touring historic Yorktown, relax in one of our rooms overlooking the York River and beach. Doubles, queens, kings and Jacuzzi rooms available. Pool and restaurant on premises.

MARL INN B&B (757) 898-3859 or 1 (800) 799-6207

Three suites and one bedroom/bath for individuals, couples or families. Beautiful setting. Bicycles available for touring. Rooms include full delicious breakfast. Available for family reunions, small weddings, and parties.

ROGERS HOUSE B&B (757) 898-4852

Enjoy Victorian hospitality, Southern cooking, unique family furnishings and stories of the "Olde Towne of York." Ideally located with fantastic views of the York River. Perfect for couples. Seasonal

THE MOSS GUEST COTTAGE (757) 229-5606

One bedroom cottage with colonial charm. Walk to historic attractions, restaurants, shops, galleries and the Riverwalk. A favorite for couples celebrating a special occasion.

YORK RIVER INN B&B (757) 887-8800 or 1 (800) 884-7003

Located on a high bluff overlooking the York River, the inn has three antique-filled guestrooms, exceptional amenities, and sumptuous breakfasts making an overnight visit a memorable experience.



Dining

BEN & JERRY'S / GREEN MOUNTAIN COFFEE CAFÉ (757) 969-1990

Come enjoy a fun place for the whole family. Featuring 30 scrumptious flavors of world famous super premium ice cream, delicious shakes, sundaes, and all natural fresh fruit smoothies.



Green Mountain Coffee Roasters features Espresso, Cappuccino, Caffe Latte, Caffe Mocha, and specialty coffee drinks, all freshly ground and made to order.

CARROT TREE IN THE COLE DIGGES HOUSE (757) 246-9559

Serving lunch daily in Yorktown's oldest home, the Cole Digges House (circa 1720). All dishes prepared from scratch, including fresh-baked breads and desserts. Box lunches/takeout also available. During summer, dinner on Friday and Saturday.



ISLAND CAFÉ/RIVER ROOM AT THE DUKE OF YORK HOTEL (757) 898-5270

Dine overlooking the York River. Delightful fare and a friendly staff. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner all non-smoking. Major credit cards accepted.

Nicks RIVERWALK RESTAURANT (757) 875-1522

All-American dining on the Yorktown waterfront. The Riverwalk Room serves the foods, beers and wines of America. The Rivah Café celebrates the great American sandwich, while The Landing caters to private functions.



WATERSTREET LANDING (757) 886-5890

Family dining with a view of the river from every seat. Specialty sandwiches, gourmet pizza, fresh seafood, steak, and homemade desserts. Full bar with local beer and wine. Lunch and dinner.

YORKTOWN PUB (757) 886-9964

Full pub menu including fresh seafood. Live entertainment on weekends. Lunch and dinner overlooking the York River.



Things to Do



CORNWALLIS' CAVE (757) 898-2410
While legend places Cornwallis' headquarters here, he was actually located in a bunker near Tobacco Road.

CUSTOM HOUSE (757) 258-0519
Built circa 1720, listed on the National Register of Historic Places and owned by the Comte de Grasse Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Gift Shop. Seasonal

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH (757) 898-3261
Historic Grace Church has been an active parish for over 300 years. Services held on Sunday: 7:50 am, 9:05 am, and 11:15 am. Book and Gift Shop

MOORE HOUSE (757) 898-2410
Site of negotiations that led to the British surrender at Yorktown on October 19, 1781. Admission fee

NELSON HOUSE (757) 898-2410
Restored mansion of Thomas Nelson Jr., a signer of the Declaration of Independence, Governor of Virginia, and commander of the Virginia Militia during the Siege of Yorktown. Admission fee

POOR POTTER ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE (757) 898-2410
Described as a "poor potter" by Royal Governor William Gooch in 1732, William Rogers actually operated a large scale pottery in Yorktown from 1720-1745 in violation of English trade laws. Admission fee

YORKTOWN NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD VISITOR CENTER (757) 898-2410
Explore the fields, fortifications and historic buildings where American independence was won. An orientation film, museum exhibits and a museum store are available. Tours of the battlefield and historic town leave from the Visitor Center daily. Admission fee

YORKTOWN VICTORY MONUMENT (757) 898-2410
Commissioned by the Continental Congress in 1781 to commemorate the great victory at Yorktown, this monument was constructed between 1881 and 1884.

WATERMEN'S MUSEUM & GIFT SHOP (757) 887-2641
Tells the story of "Wooden Boats and Iron Men" and the men who harvest the Chesapeake Bay. Admission fee

YORK COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM (757) 890-4490
Exhibits spanning the centuries of York County history. The Chiskiack Watch Archaeological Collection contains artifacts from Native Americans and colonial to modern times. Also, 20th century York County History exhibit hall.

YORKTOWN VICTORY CENTER (757) 253-4838
The American Revolution era is chronicled in gallery exhibits and a living-history Continental Army encampment and 1780s farm. Gift Shop. Admission fee

Outdoor Adventure

The Yorktown waterfront on the York River offers a relaxing day for everyone whether it's boating, biking, walking, bird watching, swimming, fishing, relaxing in the sun or picnicking in the beach picnic area. The perfect peaceful setting for families.

GHOSTS OF YORKTOWN MOONLIGHT & MYSTERIES TOUR (757) 253-1058
Experience a spooky candlelit walking tour through 18th century Yorktown visiting historic homes, taverns, buildings and the mysterious Cornwallis' Cave. Great family fun! Tours operate rain or shine. Admission fee

MISS YORKTOWN and SEA SPRAY (757) 879-8276
Enjoy daily fishing trips or private charters on the York River and Chesapeake Bay. Rods, reels, bait, license and tackle included. Departs from the Riverwalk Landing pier. Evening Nature Cruises also available. (May-October) Admission fee

RIVERWALK LANDING PIERS (757) 890-3370
Tie-up and step ashore at historic Yorktown. Public piers available for docking. Call Dockmaster for information. Docking fee

SCHOONER ALLIANCE (757) 639-1233
Sail aboard the 105' traditional three-masted Schooner Alliance along the banks of the York River. (May-October) Admission fee



Shopping & Antiques

BLACK DOG GALLERY (757) 898-1700
Workshop assembles archival quality framing for Period Designs. Appointment only

CLAIRE MURRAY (757) 877-3353
Visit Claire Murray where you will find heirloom quality 100% wool hand-hooked rug creations, home accessories, apparel, needlework-crafts, and bedding from this nationally known New England based artist.

COTTAGE ON THE YORK (757) 969-1029
An eclectic mix of hard-to-find boutique items. Brands of fine gifts to home décor ranging from gourmet foods, fine jewelry, body and soul products, pet gifts, and more.

GIN TAIL ANTIQUES (757) 890-1335
A gallery of Americana, early furniture, folk art, stoneware, and selected treasures.

NANCY THOMAS GALLERY (757) 898-0738
Originals and reproductions of the work of nationally famous Yorktown artist Nancy Thomas, as well as antiques, decorative accessories, gifts, clothing, and jewelry.

PERIOD DESIGNS (757) 886-9482
Ceramics, glass, prints, floor coverings and museum-quality framing. Exceptional home furnishings by artisans working on 17th and 18th century traditions.

REDCOAT ANTIQUES (757) 890-1409
Unusual gifts covering 3,000 years are to be found here, as well as a fine range of 17th, 18th, and 19th century furniture, silver, and oil paintings. Waterford lighting at heavily discounted prices also available.

STARS & STRIPES FOREVER (757) 898-0288
Features all things patriotic ranging from books, art, military memorabilia, flags, neckties, hats, toys and stationery. Other items featured include apparel, music, collectibles, jewelry, and bags.

STUDIO FORAY (757) 969-1094
A hands-on instructional arts and crafts studio and retail store. Features full line of Swarovski Crystals, semi-precious stones, silver, copper, gold findings, beads, and beading supplies.

SWAN SONG (757) 898-7023
A unique ladies clothing store featuring favorite clothing lines by Eileen Fisher, CP Shades, Neesh, Ohm and something for everyone with individual flair.

SWAN TAVERN ANTIQUES (757) 898-3033
A long established antique dealer with 18th century furniture and accessories displayed in an 18th century rebuilt tavern.



THE GALLERY AT YORK HALL (757) 890-4490
Art gallery with a variety of themed exhibits that change every six to eight weeks. Exhibits feature the works of local artists for exhibit and sale.

THE SOUTHERN YANKEE (757) 369-8490
A multitude of items to decorate the home or to give as gifts including wreaths, baskets, original folk art paintings, and much more.

THE YORKTOWN ONION (757) 872-8232
As unique to the area as its botanical namesake, The Yorktown Onion blooms with excitement year round offering permanent silk arrangements, one-of-a-kind floral centerpieces, garden statuary, unique art, spa gifts, and high design home accessories.

VICCELLIO GOLDSMITH (757) 890-2162
J. Henry Viccellio III, master goldsmith and precious metals craftsman, offers a line of beautiful and distinctive fine jewelry and handcrafted custom creations that reflect individual customers' unique personal style.



YORKTOWN REPUBLIC (757) 969-5500
Casual clothing store featuring items by Tommy Bahama, Fresh Produce, Key West, Eliza B, Life is Good, Luau, Gear, and Sanuk, all with a tropical flair.

YORKTOWN SHOPPE (757) 898-2984
Unusual gifts. Pewter, lanterns, wrought iron, carvings, special clothing, primitive paintings, replica and whimsical houses, old world Santas, and balance toys.

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